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22nd Navajo Nation Council resumes third day of the 2012 Winter Session

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On January 25, 2012 at 10:00 am, the 22nd Navajo Nation Council resumed the third day of the 2012 Winter Session at the Navajo Nation Council Chamber.

During the third day of session, the Council considered seven legislations.

Legislation 0394-11, sponsored by Honorable Duane S. Tsinigine, will amend the Navajo Nation Code Title 18, Chapter 12, to provide protection, health, and safety for the Navajo Nation people in the transportation of uranium ore over and across Navajo Nation land.

The sponsor of the legislation requested an executive session to discuss amendments and it was decided to table the legislation for 30-days with twenty-one (21) supporting and zero (0) opposing.

Legislation 0408-11, sponsored by Honorable Walter Phelps, enacted the Navajo Nation Worker's Compensation Act of 2011.

The Council passed the legislation with nineteen (19) supporting and one (1) opposing.

Legislation 0425-11, sponsored by Honorable Katherine Benally, will enact the 2011 Navajo Nation Violence Against Family Act by enacting 17 N.N.C. §534 Et Seq.

The Council passed the legislation with nineteen (19) supporting and zero (0) opposing.

Legislation 0485-11, sponsored by Honorable Danny Simpson, amends the Navajo Nation Fiscal Year 2012 comprehensive budget to provide for the appropriation of \$2,376,002 of Projected Revenues as contained in the Navajo Nation Fiscal Year 2012 comprehensive budget.

The legislation was amended to accept the revised amount of \$1,589,432 with a vote of seventeen (17) supporting and four (4) opposing.

The Council passed the amended legislation with eighteen (18) supporting and three (3) opposing.

Legislation 0512-11, sponsored by Honorable Jonathan Hale, amends 11 N.N.C. §§ 2, 11 and 22 for the purposes of authorizing the Health, Education and Human Services Committee to extend the time for approval of Local Community School Board Apportionment Plans.

The Council passed the legislation with seventeen (17) supporting and two (2) opposing.

Legislation 0450-11, sponsored by Speaker Johnny Naize, amends 6 N.N.C. § 606(A)(B) concerning the Navajo Housing Authority and Council Delegate membership on the Board Of Commissioners of the Authority and amends the designated oversight committee pursuant to Title 2 of the Navajo Nation Code.

The Council passed the legislation with twenty (20) supporting and zero (0) opposing.

Legislation 0516-11, sponsored by Honorable Lorenzo Curley, confirms the appointment by the President of the Navajo Nation of Ms. Clara Pratt as the Director of the Navajo Nation Washington Office pursuant to 2 N.N.C. § 1152(B).

The Council passed the legislation with twenty-three (23) supporting and zero (0) opposing.

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